



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Baron DeKalb Elementary
Kershaw County
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 194
Principal: Betty Dixon Turner
Superintendent: Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.
Board Chair: Mara H. Jones

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	A	Reward
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	A	Reward
2011	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

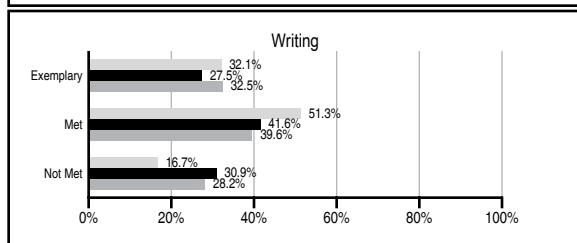
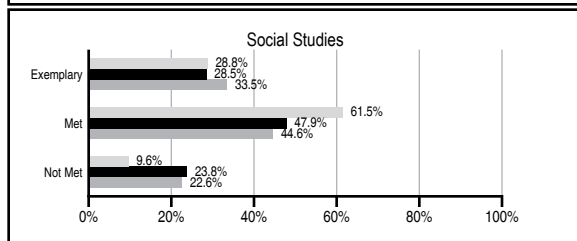
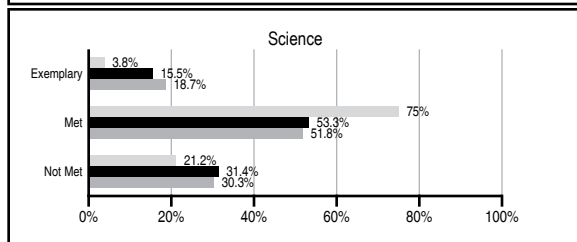
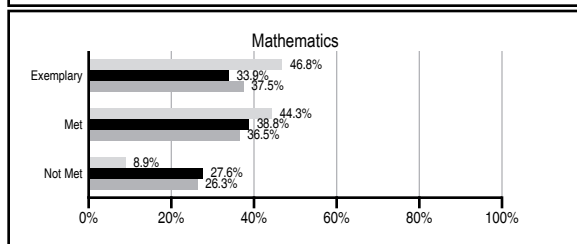
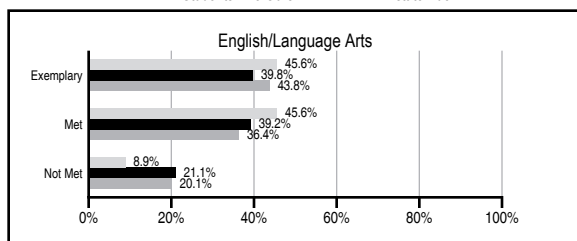
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
14	35	78	6	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=194)				
Retention rate	2.1%	Down from 3.1%	1.1%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.8%	Down from 96.2%	96.0%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	7.9%	N/A	6.3%	7.2%
With disabilities	8.4%	N/A	14.0%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.9%	N/A	2.4%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=12)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.7%	Up from 63.6%	61.1%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	91.7%	Up from 81.8%	83.8%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.8%	Down from 87.9%	88.6%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	92.7%	Down from 96.0%	94.7%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,080	Up 3.0%	\$47,956	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.1 days	Down from 14.8 days	11.4 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.7 to 1	Up from 20.0 to 1	20.1 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.2%	Down from 90.1%	89.6%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,075	Down 1.0%	\$7,282	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.0%	Up from 62.9%	67.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.0%	Up from 59.9%	65.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	96.2	Up from 91.0	86.3	88.0

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	12	N/A	20
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%	N/A	80%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	N/A	90%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	N/A	70%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

2012-2013 was an outstanding year for the Soaring Eagles. The year began on a positive note when Baron DeKalb Elementary earned an "A" on the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Federal Accountability school report. BDK's student performance substantially exceeded the state's expectations. Baron DeKalb Elementary was named a Reward School for Performance, and the school was also recognized by the State Department of Education for closing the achievement gap between groups of students.

The 21st Century Community Learning Center after-school grant was renewed for another four year period, and the school received high marks in all areas on the site visit evaluation report. For the third consecutive year, BDK was a winner in the Walmart Stuff-a-Bus promotion. This was the second time that the school was the recipient of the top prize-\$1000.

The Soaring Eagles' efforts to help those in need reached new heights. BDK's Relay for Life Team raised more than \$3000 for the American Cancer Society. The 4-H Club and Student Council collected items to donate to Food for the Soul and other charitable organizations. The school sent funds to the American Red Cross to help the victims of Hurricane Sandy, made a financial contribution to the local Red Cross, and sponsored an Angel Tree to provide gifts for families in need. Students participated in Jump Rope for Heart and the St. Jude's Math-a-thon, which helps children dealing with cancer and other serious diseases.

BDK's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and School Improvement Council (SIC) continue to play a vital role in the school's success. The SIC supported the school's effort to secure the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant, and the PTO purchased a new sound system, playground equipment, books, and instructional supplies for the school. BDK also received tremendous support from parent volunteers, local businesses, churches, and community members. Thanks to the support of the United Way of Kershaw County and Target, the school's library was recently renovated. And to the delight of families and staff, the Kershaw County Library's bookmobile made regular visits to the school. Sacks of Love continued to make a positive difference by donating food and other items to families in need.

Baron DeKalb Elementary was honored by the selection of its principal as the Kershaw County School District Principal of the Year. BDK's principal was also recognized as the Reading Administrator of the Year by the Kershaw County Reading Council, and as a finalist for the South Carolina State Council Administrator of the Year. The shared vision-"A small school with a big heart where everyone excels", continues to inspire excellence at Baron DeKalb Elementary. Together Everyone Achieves More. Betty D. Turner, Principal Candace Anderson, SIC Chairperson

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